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Which statement best expresses the principle of "consent of the governed"?

☐ A

The Congress  
shall assemble at  
least once in  
every year

☐ C

We the People  
of the United  
States . . .  
establish this  
Constitution

☐ B

All Bills for  
raising Revenue  
shall originate in  
the House of  
Representatives

☐ D

No Person  
except a natural  
born Citizen . . .  
shall be eligible  
to the Office of  
President

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Why have only 27 amendments been added to the Constitution of the United States in more than 200 years?

- A The process of adding amendments is very complex.
- B The courts strike down many amendments.
- C National laws limit the number of amendments.
- D Changes in society are too small to require amendments.

We, the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union . . .

— Constitution of the United States, 1787

3 This phrase best refers to the —

- A failed policies made by foreign officials
- B grievances in the Declaration of Independence
- C national problems caused by outdated laws
- D weaknesses within the Articles of Confederation

4 The powers of local Virginia governments are granted directly by the —

- A Virginia Circuit Court
- B Constitution of Virginia
- C United States Attorney General
- D Constitution of the United States

**Newspaper Front Page Coverage  
During a General Election**

Candidate	Positive News	Negative News	Neutral
Party X	58.8%	11.2%	30%
Party Y	26.4%	39.6%	34%

5 From this information, it can best be concluded that the news media —

- A showed little favoritism between political parties
- B displayed a positive bias to the candidate from Party X
- C showed negative bias toward both political parties
- D gave more positive coverage to the candidate from Party Y

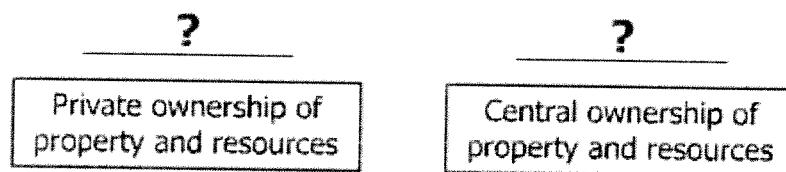
Scheduled Meetings	
General Assembly	— 8 A.M.
District Court	— 9 A.M.
Board of Supervisors	— 10 A.M.
Governor	— 11 A.M.

6 Which meeting would a person attend to hear only legislation concerning the local county?

- A 8 A.M.
- B 9 A.M.
- C 10 A.M.
- D 11 A.M.

7 How are implied powers most often used by the United States Congress?

- A To help carry out expressed powers
- B To force the executive branch to sign new legislation
- C To encourage citizens to vote
- D To give the government veto powers



8 Which pair of economic systems best completes this diagram?

- A Mixed — Traditional
- B Command — Traditional
- C Mixed — Free Market
- D Free Market — Command

**Miranda v. Arizona**

Ernesto Miranda had confessed to a crime during police questioning without knowing he had a right to have an attorney present. Miranda was convicted. The Supreme Court overturned the conviction, ruling that criminal suspects must be warned of their rights before they are questioned by police.

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**Which amendment led to this decision?**

- A 5th
- B 8th
- C 13th
- D 16th

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**Which power is a responsibility of the Virginia General Assembly?**

- A Exercises judicial review
- B Approves the state budget
- C Regulates the economy
- D Administers state bureaucracy

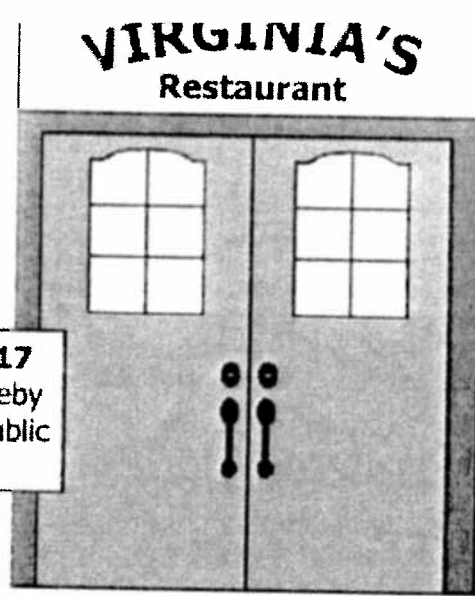
- Strong work ethic
- Computer literacy
- Positive attitude

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**What is the best title for this list?**

- A Characteristics That Employers Seek
- B National Requirements for All Jobs
- C Personal Training Courses Offered by the Federal Government
- D Outdated Skills Due to Technological Advancements

**Ordinance 617**  
Smoking is hereby  
banned in all public  
buildings.

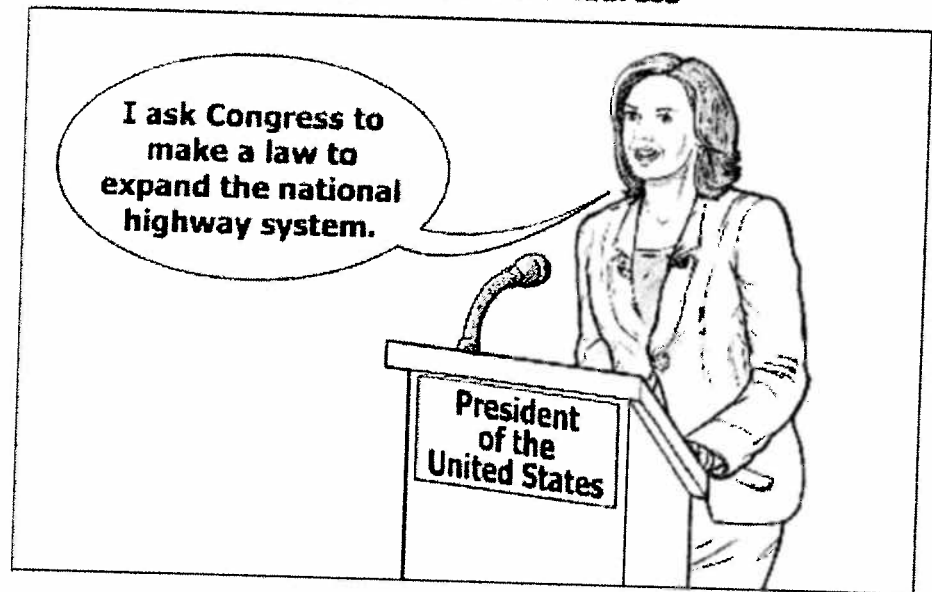


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The local government in Virginia most likely created this law in order to —

- A promote public health
- B support federal laws
- C protect consumer rights
- D regulate land use

**State of the Union Address**



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Which executive power is being demonstrated in this drawing?

- A Power to influence legislation
- B Ability to veto legislation
- C Power to approve cabinet members
- D Ability to change judicial decisions



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Which term best describes the message on this poster?

- A Insurance
- B Deposit
- C Investment
- D Guarantee

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Why is community service important in a democratic nation?

- A It helps businesses find and train new employees.
- B It addresses local needs and serves the public good.
- C It lowers unemployment by giving jobs to volunteers.
- D It removes the national government's duty to improve society.

Name	Citizen of the United States (Y/N)	Resident of Virginia and Precinct (Y/N)	Age by Date of Next General Election
Alyssa	Y	N	18
Ranjan	Y	Y	66
Carla	Y	Y	17
Rick	N	Y	21

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Which person is eligible to register to vote in the state of Virginia?

- A Alyssa
- B Ranjan
- C Carla
- D Rick

### Combined Supply and Demand Schedule

Price of a Slice of Pizza	Quantity Demanded	Quantity Supplied
\$.50	300	100
\$1.00	250	150
\$1.50	200	200
\$2.00	150	250
\$2.50	100	300
\$3.00	50	350

17 According to this table, what will happen if the price of a slice of pizza decreases from \$2.50 to \$1.00?

- A Customers will not buy as much pizza.
- B Profits of pizza makers will increase.
- C There will not be enough pizza produced.
- D The cost of producing pizzas will rise.

18 Which action represents a way the federal government can promote business competition?

- A Punishing polluters
- B Regulating investors
- C Enforcing tariffs
- D Prohibiting monopolies

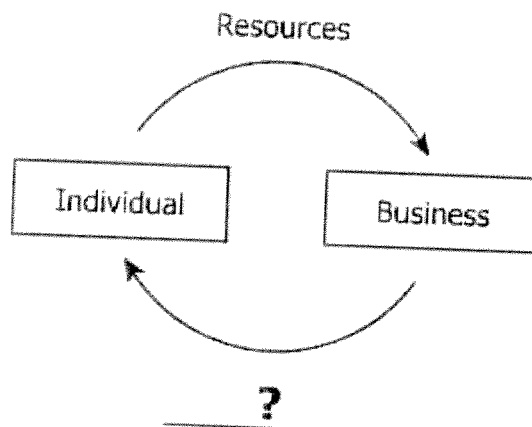
19 Which is the best action the government can take to increase the amount of funds available for businesses?

- A Borrow money
- B Lower taxes
- C Balance the budget
- D Reduce consumer demand

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Which is an example of a proprietorship?

- A Edward owns a restaurant. He is responsible for all of the restaurant's debts.
- B Roberta owns stock in a steel company. She receives a portion of the company's profits.
- C Juan and Phillip own a bookstore. They are both responsible for the bookstore's debts.
- D Janet and Miriam own a flower shop. They share equally in the shop's profits.



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Which term completes this economic flow?

- A Taxes
- B Income
- C Savings
- D Investment

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Which branch of government has the power to declare Virginia laws unconstitutional?

- A State judicial branch
- B Federal executive branch
- C State executive branch
- D Federal legislative branch



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The principle of federalism gives governmental power to —

- A the county and local governments
- B a strong confederate government
- C the national and state governments
- D a powerful state government

People seeking computer-programming jobs should be college graduates with knowledge of a variety of programming languages and tools. Job seekers should have experience working with the latest technology.

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Which characteristics would make a job seeker in computer programming most desirable?

- A A person who recently earned a high school diploma but has no work experience
- B A person who earned a 2-year associate's degree in general business but has no work experience
- C A person with a 4-year bachelor's degree and programming experience
- D A person with a doctoral degree in economics and management experience

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In which court case did the United States Supreme Court establish the power of judicial review?

- A *Dred Scott v. Sandford*
- B *Brown v. Board of Education*
- C *Marbury v. Madison*
- D *Plessy v. Ferguson*

House of Representatives

Number of members is based on

?

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Which phrase completes this diagram?

- A state population
- B the number of political districts
- C voter registration
- D the number of state senators

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In a criminal case, a jury determines —

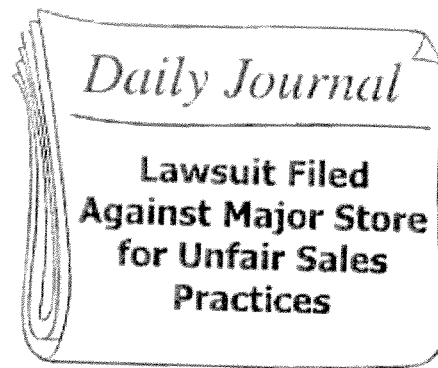
- A how much money one person needs to pay another person
- B whether someone is guilty of breaking the law
- C the best way to settle a disagreement between two people
- D whether a person's plea deal can be accepted

The North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) went into effect on January 1, 1994. This agreement removed most barriers to trade and investment among the United States, Canada, and Mexico.

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This agreement is an example of how the United States takes part in a —

- A regulatory organization
- B military agreement
- C global economy
- D financial agreement



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**This headline describes a case involving —**

- A civil rights
- B property rights
- C employee rights
- D consumer rights

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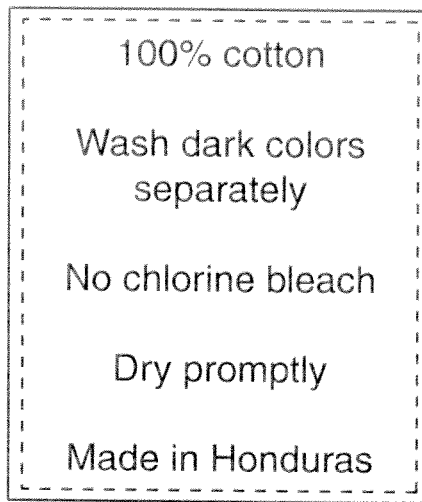
**A citizen can help ensure the rights of an accused person by —**

- A serving in the military
- B paying an income tax
- C serving on a jury
- D obeying the state law

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**Which action is an example of political lobbying?**

- A The governor gives special advice to legislative members.
- B A mayoral candidate holds a campaign rally for registered voters.
- C The local newspaper exposes corrupt practices in election campaigns.
- D A health group asks legislators to pass tougher antipollution laws.



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**This tag, found in a shirt, is the result of a federal law to protect consumers. Which of the following would *most* likely enforce this law?**

- A Federal Communications Commission
- B Environmental Protection Agency
- C Federal Trade Commission
- D Internal Revenue Service

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**Tax money paid by businesses and individuals is used to provide —**

- A private savings
- B natural resources
- C public goods
- D company profits

America is becoming less democratic. It is getting more difficult for an average person to run for office. Only rich people can serve in the government.

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**Which of these *best* explains this opinion?**

- A Number of elections
- B Influence of lobbyists
- C High campaign costs
- D Expensive registration fees

### Qualifications to Vote in Virginia

1. Citizen of the United States
2. Eighteen years of age
3.           ?

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Which item *best* completes this list?

- A Licensed driver
- B State resident
- C Employed
- D Married

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Which of the following statements does the First Amendment guarantee?

- A You may meet with other people.
- B You may have a speedy trial.
- C You may vote in elections.
- D You may own firearms.

Susan went to the movies. During the film, the man behind her repeatedly used a cell phone. Susan quietly asked the man to turn off the phone.

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What personal character trait did Susan model for the man on the phone?

- A Accountability
- B Responsibility
- C Courtesy
- D Honesty

At the end of World War I, President Woodrow Wilson wanted the United States to join the League of Nations. The United States Senate refused to approve the Versailles Treaty, and therefore the United States never joined the League of Nations.

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**This refusal by the Senate to approve the treaty is an example of —**

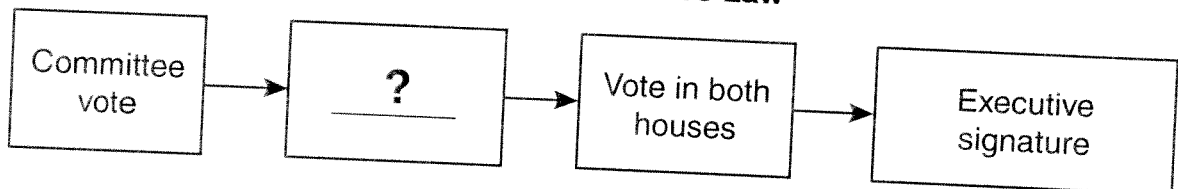
- A international relations
- B checks and balances
- C executive veto
- D rule of law

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**The Virginia legislature is called the —**

- A State Congress
- B State Assembly
- C General Congress
- D General Assembly

#### How a Bill Becomes Law



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**Which of the following completes this diagram?**

- A Referendum
- B Veto
- C Judicial opinion
- D Floor debate